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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : David Elliott Whitten et al.

Applic. No. : 09/481,640

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Title : Variable Length Cutting Device

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks,
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Sir :

Responsive to the Office action dated April 24, 2001 kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

Replace the paragraph between page 10, line 9 and page 11,

line 7 with the following: --] The cutting cylinder 3 has

cutting blades for cutting a ribbon 1 into signatures of a

desired length. The transfer cylinder 4 has cutting ledges 11